

## C.P.S. Study Committee

One of the knotty problems brought before the first Interim Session of the C.M.A. House of Delegates last month was the question of how far and in which directions the C.P.S. Study Committee was to go. This special committee, which was set up by action of the 1951 House of Delegates, rendered a preliminary report to the interim session, suggested ways and means of continuing its activities, and requested that funds be made available to carry on economic and actuarial studies upon which to base recommendations for the future of C.P.S.

The House of Delegates approved the preliminary report, including the committee's recommendations, and also approved the proposed appropriation by the Council of up to \$40,000 for the studies contemplated.

Objectives of the research to be undertaken will

be to study how C.P.S. can be of further service to the people in meeting the growing demand for medical care coverage in employer-employee contracts, in providing for the needs of the agricultural population, and in extension of catastrophe coverage for groups and for persons who are not members of an organization. The studies are expected to cover, in addition, other medical care plans now available to the people of California.

Only with public and professional acceptance can C.P.S. hope to perform a public service. Now that the preliminaries of this important subject have been determined and approved, now that the committee is assured of funds to carry out its projected research, there is every indication that the studies will produce the findings upon which such mutual acceptance may be based.

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## Letters to the Editor . . .

EDITOR,  
CALIFORNIA MEDICINE:

To keep the historical record correct, herewith a memorandum referring to a misstatement—"Los Angeles, honored for the first time by an A.M.A. meeting"—that appeared in an editorial in the November issue of CALIFORNIA MEDICINE.

In year 1911, Los Angeles County Medical Association was host to the 62nd Annual Session of the American Medical Association. The undersigned was secretary of the executive committee that had charge of the arrangements. He compiled a 60-page "Information Booklet." A copy is on file in the Los Angeles County Medical Association library.

*California State Journal of Medicine* and the *Southern California Practitioner* of year 1911 printed many editorial and other references to the American Medical Association session of 1911, held in Los Angeles. Other references appear in *Journal of the*

*American Medical Association* and the *Bulletin of the Los Angeles County Medical Association*.

The *Bulletin of the Los Angeles County Medical Association* in its issue of March 11, 1912, stated that the balance of the subscription fund for entertainment (\$8,857.89) had been turned over to the permanent quarters fund of the Los Angeles County Medical Association. (This balance was made possible by a donation of some \$5,000 by the Busch family of Pasadena, for an afternoon entertainment in their sunken gardens off Orange Grove Avenue and by the donation of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce in providing transportation to Catalina Island.)

Since year 1911, Los Angeles County Medical Association has added hundreds of names of physicians to its membership roster. It is only proper that on matters historical having to do with medical organization, they be not misinformed.

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